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## NEVER IN HISTORY HAS CITY CLOSED A YEAR SO SUCCESSFUL IN FINANCE

Taxes Should be Gradually Decreased and Never Increased, says Mayor Montgomery in Addressing Kiwanis Club—Discount for Hospital Patients.

The weekly luncheon of the Kiwanis Club was held on Tuesday evening at the usual hour, and the club had as their guests, Mayor Montgomery and Ald. Parker, Ald. Gouthard, Ald. Scott, Ald. Marshall, and Ald. Inglis, Chief of Police P. Klingzett, and Fire Chief L. D. Montgomery.

As the speaker for the evening, the Mayor, taking as his "text" the auditor's report, published in this issue, stated and demonstrated that in no time in the history of Wetaskiwin had this city closed such a successful year as the one that had just been completed.

Financially the city has an accumulated cash surplus of \$100,000.00, due to good sales of property and to the collection of arrears of taxes. The Mayor explained that the principle upon which the governing body of this city works is that taxes should be gradually reduced and never increased, and pointed out that this tends to better feeling and prompt payment of taxes. The general debt of the city is \$1,000,000.00 and is being reduced at the rate of \$120,000.00 per year. The amount of taxation collected during 1926 was \$37,704.00, being 93 per cent of the levy.

Dealing with expenditure, the speaker pointed out that \$26,000.00 had been spent on the general account which included salaries, printing, fire and police work, public works, street lighting, public health, mothers' allowances, hospital and agricultural society grants, law costs and various other things, and suggested that we had obtained as good value for our money as was possible for any town or city of our population in western Canada.

To sum up the financial position, the total revenue for 1926 was \$99,271.68 and the total expenditure was \$91,006.65, leaving a surplus of \$7,765.03.

The speaker then dealt with the unfortunate history of the light and power department, and pointed out that the shutting down of the gas engine for 18 weeks due to the breaking of the crankshaft, for which no one was to blame, caused an expenditure of \$18,000.00, and turned a possible profit of \$3,000.00 into a loss of \$14,000.00 on the year's operations.

Coming to the waterworks department, about which the citizens are especially interested owing to recent improvements, the speaker said that a new well of a total depth of 129.5 feet with two 8 inch holes drilled into the bottom, extending to a total depth of 227 feet, had been started and was now completed. The estimated cost of this was about \$16,000.00 and the

### FEBRUARY MEETING OF HOSPITAL BOARD

The regular meeting of the Wetaskiwin hospital board was held on Wednesday evening of last week with ten members in attendance.

The auditor's report and annual financial statement were received and filed.

The resignation of Miss Annie Olson, as maid, was accepted, and Miss Laura Olson was engaged as her successor at \$25.00 a month, duties to commence February 28th.

The insurance policy for hospital liability was renewed with the Employer's Liability Assurance corporation through C. D. Smith, local agent.

The resignation of Miss Johnson, as matron, was received with regret, and the action of the house committee, in advertising for a successor, was ratified.

The board gratefully acknowledged the receipt of a Fowler bed equipment complete from the Ladies' Hospital Aid.

Accounts to the amount of \$947.32 were passed for payment.

Mr. Scott, chairman of the purchasing committee, reported progress in the matter of purchasing ice.

Mrs. Rodell and H. J. Montgomery were appointed as the visiting committee for the current month.

Eight applications were received for the position of matron. A first and second choice were made, and a personal interview was requested before a final selection will be made.

Mr. Jevne explained to the board that the matter of the hospital granting a reduction to patients from the Monticourt municipal district was to be taken up at the next meeting and that he would like consideration from this hospital board for this allowance.

The matter was referred to the finance committee with power to act, and all contributing municipalities will be given consideration.

### TAX REDUCTIONS EXPECTED

Ottawa, Feb. 17.—The budget which Hon. J. A. Robb, minister of finance, brings down today, is not expected to make any extensive tariff changes. The general expectation is that it will announce some further reductions in taxation. Finance department returns to the end of January indicate that for the month of the fiscal year there was a surplus of revenue over expenditure of \$45,000,000, shown as a debt reduction.

### TOWN TOPICS

Mrs. V. C. French is in Calgary this week, visiting friends.

Don't forget the Women's Institute Old Time Concert in the Angus Theatre on St. Patrick's Day.

Roy Linscott left on Friday for Prince Rupert, where he has accepted a position in a general's furnishing store.

Gordon Fraser of Edmonton spent the week-end visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Fraser, and other friends.

Elmer Lundell left last week for Revelstoke and the coast, where he will spend a month or so visiting with relatives.

The Ladies' Aid of the First United church will hold a carnation tea on the Saturday before Mothers' Day. Further announcements later.

J. W. McDermid has been appointed temporary manager of the Imperial Bank at Millet, and his position here is being filled by Mr. Black.

Mr. and Mrs. Orville, of Berwyn, Alberta, who have been visiting at the home of the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Walker, left for their home this morning.

Mrs. J. I. Poole is spending the week in Calgary, and will attend the grand lodge meeting of Friday, Monday, February 22nd, at 8 p.m., under the auspices of the W.C.T.U. In the capacity of provincial treasurer of this organization.

The Wetaskiwin Oddfellows and Rebekahs are being represented at the Rebekahs lodge meeting in Calgary this week by Mrs. A. P. Moan from Crescent Rebekah Lodge; F. H. Blackwell from Wetaskiwin Lodge No. 8; and V. C. French from Victor Emmanuel No. 3.

The Rev. A. L. Elliott will give an address on the "League of Nations," in the First United church, Monday, February 22nd, at 8 p.m., under the auspices of the W.C.T.U. A cordial invitation is extended to everybody. Refreshments will be served. Silver collection.

The W.M.S. of the United church will hold a tea and sale of home cooking in the Sunday school rooms of the church, on the afternoon of Friday, February 18th, from 2:30 to 6 o'clock. Jane Montgomery, B.M., L.T.C.M., of Detroit, has kindly consented to be present and provide piano and vocal selections during the afternoon.

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### PREMIER COATES IN CANADA



The Rt. Hon. J. G. Coates, premier of New Zealand, who also holds the portfolio of Minister of Railways, passed through Canada over the Canadian National Railway's recently and while in Winnipeg he inspected the Transcona shops of the company and declared them to be the best railway shops he had ever seen. He was accompanied by J. S. Hunter, official secretary to the New Zealand Railways, and they stated that a number of features characteristic of the Transcona shops of the Canadian National Railway would be adopted by the New Zealand transportation system. The photo shows Premier Coates inspecting a piece of railway shop machinery.

### Provincial Weekly News Bulletin

#### Crop Production, 1926

An analysis of the agricultural production for the year 1926, reveals the interesting fact that the development of mixed farming is going steadily forward. Not such a long time ago, wheat and oats were the only crops raised in the province. Last year the value of wheat formed only 45 per cent of the total, which, however, is still a large proportion in comparison with other crops. The value of the oats crop formed eight and one-quarter per cent of the total. The value of other crops, which, in the last ten years have shown great development, now comprise 21 per cent of the total, while dairy products form eight and one-quarter per cent. Livestock marketed comprised 9 per cent of the total, and poultry products form three and one-quarter per cent of the total.

Of the smaller branches of production, root crops form two and one-quarter per cent of the total, barley forms 1.5 per cent, and miscellaneous crops make up the balance of 1.5 per cent.

The analysis of the grain yields for the past year made by the provincial department of agriculture, shows that in crop district number one, which comprises the territory from Tabor east to Medicine Hat and north to the international boundary to Brooks and Empress, the average yield of wheat was nine bushels per acre, and the average yield of oats was 22 bushels.

In crop district number two, comprising the territory west from Tabor and north to the international boundary to Okotoks, the average yield of wheat was 22 bushels and that of oats 34 bushels.

In crop district number three, comprising the territory north and east of the Red River and as far north as Wainwright, the average yield of wheat was 20 bushels to the acre, and oats averaged 25 bushels.

In crop district number four, which includes the territory tributary to Calgary, as far as the Red Deer River and north to Olds and Trochu, the average yield of wheat was 20 bushels to the acre, and oats averaged 30 bushels.

In crop district number five, including the territory north from Olds to Wetaskiwin, east to Red Deer, and north to the international boundary, the average yield of wheat was 22 bushels to the acre, and oats 22 bushels.

In crop district number six, which takes in the north-eastern part of the province from Wainwright and Tabor north to the Saskatchewan River, the average yield of wheat was 22 bushels to the acre, and oats 25 bushels.

In crop district number seven, which takes in the Edmonton district north of Leduc, the Athabasca district and the Westlock district, as far west as Edmonton, the wheat averaged 22 bushels an acre, and the oats 23 bushels an acre.

In crop district number eight, which includes the Whitecourt, High Prairie, Grande Prairie and Peace River districts, the wheat averaged 19 bushels an acre, and the oats averaged 19 bushels.

In crop district number nine, which includes the territory from Tabor east to Medicine Hat and north to the international boundary to Brooks and Empress, the average yield of wheat was nine bushels per acre, and the average yield of oats was 22 bushels.

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In crop district number fourteen, which includes the territory from Tabor east to Medicine Hat and north to the international boundary to Brooks and Empress, the average yield of wheat was nine bushels per acre, and the average yield of oats was 22 bushels.

In crop district number fifteen, which includes the territory from Tabor east to Medicine Hat and north to the international boundary to Brooks and Empress, the average yield of wheat was nine bushels per acre, and the average yield of oats was 22 bushels.

## PRESBYTERY DECLINES TO ACCEPT RESIGNATION OF THE REVEREND ELLIOTT

Lacombe Presbytery Meets and Submits Estimates for Missionary and Other Works—Resignation of Rev. Owen J. Davis Accepted with Regret.

The Presbytery of Lacombe met in St. Andrew's church, Lacombe, on Wednesday, February 16th, and had almost a full representation of ministers and elders. The Presbytery extends from Blackfalds to Millet, east as far as Tees and Wynne, and west to the mountains. Rev. R. P. Pinley of Olive, presided over the court.

The Presbytery made its estimates for the ensuing year and found that the grants required for mission fields and aid receiving charges amount to \$6500.00. Rev. A. L. Elliott is convener of the home mission committee in charge of this branch of the work.

Rev. G. Matthews was invited to continue his work as a missionary at large. His field is to extend from Little Lake westward, including the lumber camps, resident homesteaders and the new railroad towns, Breton and Wainfeld. His home at present is at the Knox Hill lumber camp. The work at Dakota will be taken by a student as soon as available. The representative laymen from the field spoke in the highest possible terms of the very excellent work being done by Rev. Mr. Matthews. Students will also be sent to Tees and Medicine Valley. Wynne, Angus Ridge and John Knox school are left under the care of the official board of Wetaskiwin, and a student may be asked for later.

Rev. Owen J. Davis of Wood River held his resignation before the Presbytery. The resignation was accepted with regret, and it was arranged that the pastoral tie should be dissolved on March 31. Rev. A. L. Elliott also held his resignation before the court. The Presbytery refused to accept this resignation and returned the matter to the official board of the First United church of Wetaskiwin for their consideration.

The resignation of the session, that of John Radford, was also accepted as a lay preacher was accepted. The Presbytery will meet in Wetaskiwin at a date to be arranged to license Mr. Radford.

It was decided that there should be a Presbytery fund to meet the current expenses of the Presbytery. This congregation is asked to contribute to this fund, three-fourths of one per cent of the stipend paid to the minister with a minimum of \$5.00. Rev. J. B. Francis, Ponoka, was appointed treasurer.

Rev. E. J. Tate of Bentley was appointed statistical secretary and charged with the task of collecting and reporting the statistics of the Presbytery for the official year book.

A very pleasant luncheon was held in the Princess hotel on the first day. Addresses were given by Mr. E. B. Martin on "The Work of the Minister" and by Mr. J. Radford on "The Sunday Service, what it should be," from the layman's viewpoint. At the close of the business of the Presbytery an hour was spent in a round table conference. Ten minute addresses were given by Messrs. J. W. Smith, J. B. Francis, H. B. Layton and A. L. Elliott, and five minutes spent discussing the thought advanced by each.

On Wednesday night a party was held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. Maynard. About seven o'clock guests to the number of about fifty sat down to a delicious dinner, after which a few hours were spent in music and games. A daily lunch was served at twelve, and all went home feeling as though they had spent a most enjoyable evening.

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TO MAKE ONIGHT EATABLE Chicago, Feb. 17.—The Daily News says that "Hottel Stenbock," a "Wetaskiwin" who is "sitting on the ground" and in quantities, which will prevent rickets and probably other diseases. He has refused millions of dollars, the News says, for the sale of his process to cereal manufacturers. Instead, he has entrusted the discovery to the University of Wisconsin.

PONOKA ELECTIONS Ponoka, Feb. 16.—The result of the vote for town councillors was as follows: Andrew Reid 146, Richard Slater 125, H. E. Penlidson 54, J. V. James 74, Geo. Beal 25. The proposed new drainage by-law carried by a vote of 105 to 5.

GWYNNE Mr. Pat Girard has been ill with an attack of the flu.

The little son of Mr. and Mrs. C. Maynard, who has been very sick in an Edmonton hospital, is improving slowly. We hope for his speedy recovery.

The Gwynne hockey club are putting on an Old Time Dance in the Gwynne hall on Friday, February 18. Come and help the boys and we will show you a good time. Good music and old time swing until supper.

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### OBITUARY

FUNERAL OF PERCY H. RIX The funeral of Percy H. Rix, who passed away on Wednesday morning last week from a stroke, was held on Friday last, and was one of the largest ever held in the district. After a short service conducted at the late residence at Bear's Hill, by Mr. A. R. Stephenson, of Edmonton, the remains were conveyed to the First United church, Wetaskiwin, where a service was held, both Mr. Stephenson and Rev. A. L. Elliott delivering addresses. The church was crowded to the doors, many being compelled to stand. The floral tributes were very beautiful and numerous. The pallbearers were Messrs. J. J. Schell, Elmer Arnold, Wm. Stein, Eric Toft, Herbert Toreson and Gus Malmus. The remains were laid to rest in the family plot in the Wetaskiwin cemetery.

On Friday, February 26th, the young folks of Pleasant Prairie intend to give a social evening in the school at 7:30 p.m. On the program they have violin music, comic dialogues, vocal and instrumental solos. Lunch bags and baskets for sale. All are welcome. The proceeds are to go to a poor student at college.

PRINCE RUPERT AS GRAIN PORT It will be of interest to Alberta people to know that four million bushels of wheat have been shipped from Prince Rupert by the wheat pool from the 1926 crop. The wheat pool has been successful in its operation in the Westlock district, as far west as Edmonton, the wheat averaged 22 bushels an acre, and the oats 23 bushels an acre.

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**29c** lb.**Men's Wool Socks**  
**39c****Men's Bow Ties**  
**29c****Men's Knit Ties**  
**19c****Gingham Special**  
**15c** per yard**White Turkish Towels**  
**Large Size**  
**75c** per pair**H.G. Smith & Co.****BETTER BREAD FOR BRITISHERS**

It is estimated that the total yield of wheat in the province of Alberta this year will not exceed 115,000,000 bushels. This being the case, the question is: what will be the net returns to the farmers from this immense crop.

The establishment of an extensive wheat pool and the introduction of new methods by the private elevator companies have been great factors in aiding the western farmer to economically market their wheat crop. Japan has been the object of a concentrated propaganda campaign to educate the citizens of that country in the idea that it would be to their benefit to use more wheat and less rice in their daily rations. The Canadian government and the railway commission have been bombarded with protests concerning the freight rates on wheat which is shipped to the west coast market. Legislation has been passed by the parliament of Canada regulating the different aspects of grain marketing. These movements have all been to some purpose, but it seems rather strange that the Canadian wheat producers have not recognized the fact that western Canadian wheat is not obtaining the preference it deserves on the British market.

It is well known to British millers that the protein content in western Canadian wheat is from two to three per cent higher than the protein content of wheat grown in any other part of the world, with the exception of certain sections of Russia, and even when compared with those sections Western Canadian wheat has an advantage.

Even yesterday, the new wheat produced by Sir H. H. Duff, of Cambridge, is much inferior in protein content to our wheat. This year the wheat in Alberta is averaging about fifteen per cent in protein content, which is about four per cent higher in protein than practically all of the other wheat which is being used by the flour mills of Britain. The fact that western Canadian wheat contains the highest protein content is indisputable, then the question naturally arises as to whether or not this is a beneficial quality in the wheat, and as to whether or not this merit can be commercialized to any appreciable extent.

The public of the United States and Canada demand bread which is light, palatable and nutritious, and they will not accept an inferior loaf. The percentage of protein in the flour determines these three qualities of the bread, and for this reason the standard of Canadian and American

flour is from twelve and one-half to thirteen per cent protein. In Canada there is no difficulty of obtaining the wheat with a high protein content, but in the United States this is a serious problem, and as the American public demands the best quality of bread, the American millers are forced to pay a premium on wheat with over twelve per cent protein. In fact, the millers of the United States pay one cent bonus for every quarter of one per cent over twelve per cent protein which is contained in the wheat they buy for milling.

There is no doubt, however, that the American or Canadian market does not determine the value of Canadian wheat, but on the contrary the value is determined by the European market prices. The problem then is to demonstrate to the consumer of Canadian wheat the fact that his wheat should obtain a bonus over protein to the percentage of protein that it contains as compared with the protein content of competitive wheat from other countries. This is a very difficult matter under present conditions owing to the fact that the British millers turn out a finished product of much lower protein content than American or Canadian flour. This means that the only way of making the British miller pay a premium on western Canadian wheat is by educating the British public to the fact that they are eating inferior bread, bread which is less wholesome, palatable and nutritious than that which is being enjoyed by the consumers of Canada and the United States.

It has often been stated that the British has the most discriminating appetite in the world; that the Englishman and the Scotchman demand the best beef, the best mutton, the best pork, the best butter and the best cheese. If this is so, does it not seem reasonable that every Britisher should demand the best bread, if it can be demonstrated to him that at the present time he has contented himself with a very inferior article? It is true that the Englishman is slow to adopt new ideas, but at the same time the Englishman is also noted for quickly grasping a new idea when it is being demonstrated to him that the change will be definitely beneficial.

A campaign for better bread for the Britishers could be instituted by the provincial government, the dominion government, or the grain interests, and the superior qualities of Canadian wheat could be easily demonstrated. With the network of rail ways that exists in Britain, two central bakeries, one in Glasgow and one in London, could supply all the bread necessary for demonstrations of bread baked from Canadian high-protein content flour, and such successful propaganda would force the British millers to raise the protein content of their product, and this would mean a bonus for Western Canadian wheat. It should be easier to educate the Britisher to eat better bread than it is to educate the Japanese to eat wheat instead of rice.

If the British public forced their millers to produce flour with a protein content equal to that of Canadian and American flour it would probably follow that the same bonus system on protein content would have to be instituted in Britain as that which is in vogue in the United States. If the British millers refuse to raise the protein content of their flour, their public would demand American or Canadian flour, and this again would force the issue. Then the adoption of the Canadian and American standard would mean a bonus of ten or twelve cents a bushel on western Canadian wheat. This would naturally be very beneficial to all of western Canada, and particularly to southern Alberta and Saskatchewan, in which districts the protein content is very high. This year the protein content of Alberta wheat is fifteen per cent, making a possible bonus of twelve cents per bushel, and our wheat crop is estimated at over 115,000,000 bushels, the increased value of one year's crop under such conditions would certainly justify a very extensive campaign of propaganda.

Under present conditions the wheat producers of western Canada are unconsciously allowing inferior soft wheat from competitive countries to compete in the world markets under an antiquated eye test instead of under a protein content quality test. The sooner our wheat producers, agricultural and economic experts realize that they are not taking full advantage of the superior qualities of Number one Northern, the sooner will the wheat producers of western Canada obtain a bonus of over thirty-five million dollars a year, and the producers of Alberta alone an increased yearly revenue of over ten million dollars. This is an opportunity for cooperation between the provincial and dominion governments, the grain interests, and in fact all commercial grain concerns which are interested in the development of western Canada. The only question remaining is: who will be the first to introduce the campaign of Better Bread for Britishers? Editorial in The Gateway, University of Alberta.

**BREAST FEEDING**

(Published by the Canadian Council of Child Welfare)

Every mother should nurse her baby if possible. Extremely few serious diseases forbid nursing.

If the supply of breast milk is scarce, it may be necessary to supplement the baby's feeding, but every mouthful of breast milk adds to

the baby's strength as no other food ever will.

A breast fed baby has little fear of summer complaint, tuberculosis, convulsions or bow-legs.

It is especially necessary to nurse the baby REGULARLY, even if it has to be awakened. Irregularity tends to derange the digestive functions.

Most babies thrive better if the interval between feedings is fairly long.

The nipples should be washed before each feeding. Caked breasts or cracked nipples are the usual causes of abscesses.

Many babies do best if fed every four hours, as follows: 6 feedings in 24 hours—6 a.m., 10 a.m., 2 p.m., 6 p.m., 10 p.m., and once during the night, or 5 feedings in 24 hours—6 a.m., 10 a.m., 2 p.m., 6 p.m., 10 p.m., or later.

Some babies require to be fed every three hours, as follows—6, 9, 12, 3, 6, 9 or 10 p.m., and once during the night, or 5 feedings in 24 hours—6, 9, 12, 3, 6 and at 10 p.m., or later.

A baby should be given cooled, boiled water without sugar between feedings, especially during hot weather.

A baby should not be nursed at night after it is six months old. The important thing is to satisfy the baby without overfeeding it.

The length of time for a feeding varies with the individual and with the breast. The average infant rarely nurses longer than fifteen minutes.

**NEURALGIA**

Bathe the affected parts with Minard's in warm water. Quick relief assured.

Always keep Minard's handy for colds, sprains, cuts and bruises.

**MINARD'S**  
"KING OF PAIN"  
LINIMENT

If necessary, let it nurse twenty minutes, but not longer. If it is not satisfied then, the mother should consult a physician.

It is customary to nurse only one breast at a feeding, and to use them alternately. If, however, the baby does not get enough from one breast, it should have both.

When the baby is nine months old, it is time to think of weaning, unless the time happens to be in hot weather.

**Rules for a Nursing Mother**

A nursing mother should cultivate calm, try not to worry and not become angry, as this will injure the breast milk.

She should get eight hours sleep at night, in a well ventilated room or a sleeping porch, and she should lie down for an hour's rest or sleep every afternoon.

She should take a walk out of doors every day if the weather permits.

She should take a daily tub or a sponge bath.

She should eat plain foods, a moderate amount of meat, very little pastry, and plenty of vegetables and fruit.

She should not drink much tea or coffee, both of which are constipating and stimulating.

She should drink from six to ten glasses of pure water every day.

If the supply of breast milk is scarce, she should drink extra milk and cocoa.

She should take no medicines except on a doctor's order—medicines taken by the mother may affect the baby.

These are important for the health of the baby as well as that of the mother.

Trade with the merchants who advertise in this paper.

**Chase the cold germ.****SHREDDED WHEAT**

**Fortifies you against climatic changes and exposure. Eat it with hot milk—delicious for any meal**

**CARD OF THANKS**

Mrs. P. H. Rix and family desire to sincerely thank the neighbors and many kind friends for their expressions of sympathy and for the assistance rendered during their recent bereavement. They are especially grateful to those who sent floral tributes.

We get to know some of the news, but not as much as we would like. Phone your news to 27, or write and address it to The Times.

**Train Schedule**

Times for trains at Wetaskiwin will be:

Northbound	Southbound
61 Lv 5:28am Daily	52 ar 12:30am
62 Lv 6:44am Daily	53 ar 1:28am
63 Lv 9:09pm Daily	54 ar 3:28am
64 Lv 1:50pm Dly ex Sun	55 ar 1:28pm
65 Lv 11:20am Dly ex Sun	56 ar 7:45pm
	Westbound
	51 ar 5:28am Daily
	52 ar 11:56am Daily
	53 ar 1:28pm
	54 ar 3:28pm
	55 ar 7:50pm
	56 ar 11:20pm

**SUN LIFE ASSURANCE COMPANY OF CANADA****A TOWER OF STRENGTH****1926**

ASSURANCES IN FORCE (net) \$1,256,490,000  
An Increase of \$235,393,000

New Assurances Paid For 265,889,000  
An Increase of \$72,412,000

Total Income 78,972,000  
An Increase of \$9,825,000

Payments to Policyholders and Beneficiaries 38,576,000

Total Payments Since Organization 257,816,000

Reserve for Unforeseen Contingencies 11,000,000

Surplus over all Liabilities and Contingency Reserve 34,011,000  
An Increase of \$5,371,900

ASSETS at December 31, 1926 345,251,000  
An Increase of \$42,195,000

*Dividends to Policyholders increased for seventh successive year*

**EXTRACTS FROM DIRECTORS' REPORT**

The operations during the past year have resulted in substantial advances in all departments.

The new policies paid for... almost double the figures of two years ago.

The assurances in force, after deduction of reinsurance, show an increase of... over twenty-three per cent.

Policies and group certificates now outstanding aggregate well in excess of half a million.

The figures relating to resources and earning power are equally satisfactory.

The high quality and profitable character of our investments has again been demonstrated. As a result of continued reduction in prevailing rates of interest, and of satisfactory industrial conditions, there has been a further rise in the market values of our long-term bonds and of our preferred and other stocks. The appraisal of our securities made by the Government Insurance Department shows that the excess of market values over cost has increased during the year by \$6,591,266.26. In addition, the sum of \$17,293,615.7 has been realized as net profit from the redemption or sale of municipal debentures and other securities which had risen to high premiums. The rate of interest earned on the mean invested assets has also risen to the remarkable figure of 6.07 per cent, as the result of substantial dividend increases, bonuses, and

stock privileges received in connection with many of our holdings.

The quality of the investments listed in the assets may be judged from the fact that on 99.55 per cent of the loans and on 97.1 per cent of the preferred stocks, not one dollar of interest or dividend is in arrear for even one day. On our common stocks the dividends now being received are greatly in excess of the dividends payable on the same stocks at time of purchase.

The total surplus earned during the year amounted to \$20,157,677.28. From this the following appropriations have been made:

The sum of \$2,000,000 has been deducted from the official valuation of our securities to provide for possible fluctuations in market values. This raises the amount set aside for this purpose to \$5,000,000. In other words, the value at which our securities are carried in the balance sheet is \$5,000,000 less than the appraisal made by the Government authorities.

The amount to provide for unforeseen contingencies has been increased by \$1,000,000 bringing the total under this heading to \$11,000,000.

The book value of our Head Office building has been written down by a further sum of \$250,000 though it certainly could not be replaced at even its original cost.

An additional amount of \$400,000 has been set aside to provide for greater longevity of annuitants. The total held under this heading in excess of Government requirements, is now \$1,500,000.

The reserves on the newly acquired business of the Cleveland Life, and on other reassured policies, have been raised to the same high standard as that used for the valuation of liabilities under our own contracts.

To our policyholders, profits have been paid or allotted during the year to the amount of \$9,235,520.50.

After making these deductions and allocations an addition of \$3,371,564.56 has been made to the undivided profits. The surplus over all liabilities, contingency accounts and capital stock, now stands at \$34,011,565.25.

For six years in succession we have increased the profits to participating policyholders. During this period our profit scale has been doubled. While the assurances in force have multiplied two and a half times since 1920, the amount paid or allotted as profits to policyholders has multiplied five and a half times. We are gratified to announce, for the seventh consecutive time, a further increase in the scale of profits to be distributed to our policyholders in the ensuing year.

**We Couldn't Do Without It**

—Say The Movie Stars

So say all whose work is hard after they try the delicious, invigorating refreshment of Whiskey's Double Mint.

**WHISKEY'S DOUBLE MINT**

Also Known As: Double Mint

**TIMES' MAILING LIST IS GROWING**

During the last few weeks The Times has added a large number of new subscribers to its mailing list. This is very gratifying to the management, as it is evidence that The Times is the popular paper, and that it is giving the news the public demands. Nearly all the new names added are of people living in Wetaskiwin and district. This increased circulation enhances the value of The Times as an advertising medium. Think it over!

**SUN LIFE ASSURANCE COMPANY OF CANADA**



## SPORTS

LADIES' BONSPIEL  
TO COMMENCE ON  
TUESDAY MORNINGRINKS COMING FROM EDMONTON,  
CALGARY AND HARDISTY—  
EVENTS ON PROGRAM

Tuesday morning next, at 9:30, will see the ladies' bonspiel away with a record number of rink. Entries have been already received from Calgary, Edmonton and Hardisty, besides several local rinks. The committee has everything in readiness for the annual event and until the five competitions are completed the ladies will hold sway at the curling rink, and the men will be nothing but interested spectators, and probably, housekeepers, while their wives are battling with broom and stone.

The following are the entries received to date—Edmonton, Mrs. Conn and Mrs. Quessel, Calgary, Mrs. Bruce, Hardisty, Mrs. Irish and Mrs. Dillon, Wetaskiwin, Mesdames Wright, Somers, Priest, Enman, Miquelon, Wiseman, McMurdo.

The following are the prizes for the different events:

- Grand Challenge**
- 1—4 Silver Bakers.
  - 2—4 Chinese Heath Rugs.
  - 3—4 Walnut Trays.
  - 4—4 Silver Mounted Vases.
- H. R. French Competition**
- 1—4 Silver Sandwich Trays.
  - 2—4 sets (6 each) Cut Glass Sherbets.
  - 3—4 Clifton Scarfs.
  - 4—4 Pairs Silks Lingerie.
- Consolation**
- 1—4 Patent Leather Hat Boxes.
  - 2—4 China Bowls.
  - 3—4 Pyrex Casseroles.
  - 4—China Cake Plates.
- Visitors**
- 1—4 Silver Comports.
  - 2—4 Ladies' Waterman Fountain Pens.

**Points Competition**

- 1—Piano Lamp.
- 2—Piece Fancy China.

The ladies' club sincerely thank the following for prizes or cash donated for the bonspiel: James Ramsey Ltd., Edmonton; H. R. French, Whyte & Orr, H. B. Chalmers, C. D. Enman, Montgomery, Bros., Lawson Store, J. F. Richards, E. G. Kelly, V. C. French, Kurt Smith, C. Niles, W. J. Leggie, H. Russell, A. Knox, J. W. Somers, L. D. Montgomery, R. R. Cleland.

WETASKIWIN RINK  
DOES WELL AT THE  
EDMONTON 'SPIEL

NOT OVERLOADED BY JEWELRY,  
BUT CHALK UP SEVERAL  
WINS IN ICE CLASSIC

The Wetaskiwin rink of curlers competing in the Edmonton bonspiel, are making a very good showing. The rink is composed of A. J. Taylor, skip, P. T. Kiralan, third, J. F. Ellis, second, and Geo. M. James, lead. Mr. Taylor was elected a member of the executive of the Alberta Curling association at the annual meeting held on Saturday. After winning nearly all the preliminary games, sandwiched by a loss in the Grand Challenge to Heartwell, the

Wetaskiwin rink was eventually knocked out of four other competitions, losing in the Hudson's Bay to Lortie, of Hardisty; the Calgary Brewery to Brower; the Bank of Montreal to Tucker; and the Ramsey to Dr. Anderson.

Taylor's rink is among the twenty-three rinks which qualified for the Alberta Championship play-off (the Revillon Wholesale Limited), to decide representatives from Alberta and Saskatchewan in the competition at Winnipeg, the first leg to the world's championship, which is to be decided this winter for the first time.

PONOKA LEADS IN  
BIG FOUR SERIES  
AND MEETS LEDUC

TAKE OPENING GAME FROM RED  
DEER, WHILE SECOND CON-  
TEST ENDS IN TIE

Ponoka, Feb. 15.—The first game in the play-off for the championship of the Big Four Hockey League, emblematic of the hockey championship of Central Alberta, was played at the local arena and Red Deer went down to defeat at the hands of the Ponoka team by the score of 2 goals to 1.

Four minutes from the start Carpenter found the net for Red Deer, for their only score of the game. A few minutes after this Harold Clark scored for Ponoka from the right wing. Shortly after the start of the third period Clark again scored for Ponoka, on a pass from Gay Hayes.

Red Deer, Feb. 16.—Last night a good turnout at the local arena saw Ponoka and the locals take a 2-2 tie. The game was fairly even until five minutes from the starting bell, when Red Deer scored, McMahon and Taylor making a rush down the ice together. Ponoka rallied and did some heavy playing for a minute or two, making several dangerous runs into the home-town defence, until Reid got the puck and he and Rubra combined to tally with a fast shot.

After that the teams played faster, but Red Deer held the lead with ease until two minutes from the bell, when Ferko, of Ponoka, sailed close to Red Deer's goal with the disc and managed to get it past Storoes.

In the last frame Red Deer rallied and carried the puck down to Ponoka's defence, where Hayes got hold of the rubber and shot the puck hard from the side of the rink, from whence it sailed to rest in the far end of the net.

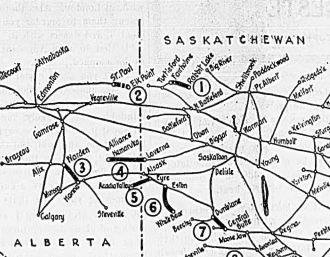
The result put Ponoka in the lead on total goals, and they now will meet Leduc in the finals.

Red Deer goes to Lacombe for a provincial intermediate play-off series on Thursday.

**MAY TRY PRO. BASEBALL**

Chicago, Feb. 17.—If he cares to, George Young, the Catalina channel swimmer, may try out for the Chicago National League baseball team in the coming spring. The team will train at Catalina Island, from which Young started his successful swim to the California mainland and the William Wrigley Jr. prize of \$35,000. William Veeck, president of the Cubs yesterday, while the Toronto swimmer was looking over Chicago, and the baseball proposition was made. Young will be landed for a civic reception in Toronto at the end of this week.

## CANADIAN NATIONAL EXTENSION IN WEST



THE branch line programme of the Canadian National Railway was actively pursued in 1926, especially in Saskatchewan and Alberta, where a total of approximately 290 miles of new line was completed. The construction of this additional mileage will permit the company to add further im-

provements to its passenger and freight service; will shorten some of the routes, thus allowing for a lowering of operating costs, and has opened new territory to the homeseeker. In the accompanying map the new branches are shown by heavy lines. The work in detail is as follows:

- 1—Turtletford-Southerly, 42.2 miles. Open for traffic early this year.
- 2—St. Paul-Southerly, 20.5 miles. Train service will probably be extended over this new section early in 1927.
- 3—Warden-Hanna, 62.1 miles. Completed and regular mixed train service was established on this line effective October 22.
- 4—Lorena-Westerly, 40.0 miles. It is expected train service will be in operation to Hanna early this year.
- 5—Acadia Valley, 24.6 miles. Completed and regular mixed train service became operative December 1st, between Alaska and Acadia Valley.
- 6—Eaton-Southerly, 34.7 miles. Expected to be in operation early in 1927.
- 7—Dunblane-Southerly, 27.6 miles. This important extension was opened for regular traffic on November 22nd when through train service was established between Regina, Moose Jaw, Dunblane and Saskatchewan.
- 8—Willowbush, 23.4 miles. Completed and through passenger train service established between Willowbush, Radville and Avonlea effective November 22nd.

BELTISTOS WIN  
FROM CAMROSE  
INTERMEDIATES

One of the best hockey games played here this winter was contested on Saturday night when the Beltistos team took the Camrose Intermediates into camp by the score of 7-4. The crowd was not as large as it should have been, owing possibly to the lateness of the hour, but those who saw the game were well pleased with the quality of hockey put up by both sides. Throughout the entire game both teams played a combination which was quite effective, and few individual rushes were attempted. The teams were evenly matched and had it not been for the good work of Brickman in goal, the score would have been different. They had no chance at all to stop two of the four shots that got past him.

The first goal was scored by Ryan after two minutes' play, when he carried the disc from behind goal and slipped it in. Camrose evened up four minutes later, when Maloney made a shot from close in. The visitors took the lead after five minutes of strenuous play, but Wetaskiwin got the advantage before the end of the period by registering two more.

The second period was evenly contested as it took ten minutes for Camrose to find the net. But Wetaskiwin scored the next two in

three and two minutes respectively. This gave them a lead of two goals at the end of the second session.

The Beltistos boys clinched the game by adding two more to the total in the third session in two minutes and nine minutes respectively, and just before the final bell the visitors made their only counter of the period.

Brian Girling referred to the satisfaction of all, and only a few of the players graced the penalty box.

The lineup was: Camrose—Goal, Wade; defence, Creighton and Garby; forwards, Maloney, Ross and Burgess; subs, McKey and Bentley.

Wetaskiwin—Goal, A. Brickman; defence, Watson and E. Brickman; forwards, Ryan, Chandler and M. Abousay; subs, A. Abousay and Matheson.

The Wetaskiwin team is composed of boys who have resided here for many years; they play a good game of hockey, and are deserving of much better support than they are receiving. Turn out and see the next home game, and thus give the boys the encouragement and financial assistance they deserve.

**MIXED BONSPIEL**

The big attraction at the curling rink this week was the bonspiel, which is being played in the evenings. The interest is very keen and some close games are being played.

**NEW NORWAY WEST**

The regular monthly meeting of the Pansy Club was held last Thursday afternoon at the home of Miss Fannie Leue. A very successful meeting was held, after which a very dainty lunch was served by the hostess. The visitors and members present included the following: Mrs. R. McKenna, Mrs. Jean Meyer and tiny Jean, Mrs. George Reister, Mrs. Percy Connery, Mrs. Arthur Walker and the Misses Maudie Howey, Grace Perkins, Hazel Meyer, Alice Heller, Arlean Heller and June Heller.

Harold Meyer is ill with an attack of flu at the present time.

Harold Walker of Red Willow, arrived in the Poplar Bluff district last week to visit relatives for a few days. Mrs. Hulda Meyer was ill for a few days of last week with an attack of flu.

His father, who is attending school in New Norway, has been ill with flu at her home in the Dowling district for a few days.

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Edgar Smith of Perintosh, was a dinner guest of Mr. and Mrs. Homer Hovey on Monday.

Advertisements in the paper that circulates all over the district thoroughly.

**MAIL CONTRACT**

SEALED TENDERS, addressed to the Postmaster General, will be received at Ottawa until noon, on Friday, the 25th of March, 1927, for the conveyance of His Majesty's Mails, on a proposed contract for a period not exceeding four years (vice per week on the route Minnehik and Yorkford via Penderly, Winfield and Knox Hill, from the Postmaster General's pleasure.

Printed notices containing further information as to conditions of proposed contract may be seen and blank forms of Tender may be obtained at the Post Offices of Yorkford, Minnehik, Penderly, Winfield and Knox Hill, and at the office of the District Superintendent of Postal Service, Calgary, Alberta.

District Superintendent's Office, Calgary, Alberta, 7th February, 1927. J. B. CORLEY, 48-31n. District Post, Postal Service

THESE WANT AD'S  
BRING RESULTS

**WANT AD'S**

**For Sale**

**For Rent**

**AUCTION SALE**

**OF HORSES, FARM MACHINERY ETC.**

The undersigned Auctioneer has received instructions to sell by Public Auction on the N.W. 30-44-24, eight miles South of Wetaskiwin, 1 mile east and 1 mile south of the old Lewisville Rose Briar school, 3 miles west and 3 miles south of New Norway; 13 miles Northeast of Perintosh; 13 miles straight east of Hobbema, 48-31n.

**SEED OATS**—American Improved Banner, 90 per cent gov't germination test; 75¢ per bushel. W. M. Thirk, Phone 709, Angus Ridge, 48-31n.

**FOR SALE**—White Wyandotte Cockerels, best B.C. stock, dam's record average 215 eggs in year, priced at \$2.00 to \$3.00. Leslie Telford, 47-21n.

**FOR SALE**—Tannery posts in carload lots, or smaller quantities. Apply to Howatt & Howatt, Wetaskiwin, Alberta, 47-31n.

**FOR SALE**—Or Trade, 3 h.p. Fairbanks Morse grinder and pump jack complete. Phone R1211, Wetaskiwin, Alberta, 47-31n.

**FOR SALE**—Molody Sixophone, good as new, snap for quick sale. G. Littman, Phone 252, Wetaskiwin, 46-31n.

**FOR SALE**—Bunch of good horses, mostly Clydes, very reasonable for quick sale. Apply to Stewart Campbell, 46-31n.

**Miscellaneous**

**FREE WOOD**—And Building Material, Green and dry wood and poplar timber for building on Rosedale Ranch, south of Bitter Lake. Apply to R. J. Daley, Bitter Lake P.O., or Phone R11, Camrose, 46-31n.

**W. PICKARD**—Auto Top and Furniture Upholsterer. We have all the latest designs in furniture coverings. Let us show you. Phone 2505, Wetaskiwin, 46-31n.

**MONEY TO LOAN**—Have \$10,000 private funds to loan on well improved farms. C. D. Smith & Co., Wetaskiwin, 44-31n.

**RADIATORS**—Auto and Tractor radiators repaired and recored. Get our prices before buying. Snyder's Radiator Shop, 10168 8th St., Edmonton, Alta. Phone 5469, 29-17n.

**Help Wanted—Male**

**WANTED**—Experienced, reliable man for good location, ready to accept partner in hog feeding business. Box 8, Times Office, 43-17n.

**Needless Waste**

Of time and energy can be avoided by the use of our Classified Want Ads. Time and energy represent good dollars in this age. Do not exhaust them in an aimless search for help. Use our Want Ads and the help will come to you.

**TERMS—CASH**

**FREE LUNCH AT NOON**

**C. RUD—OWNER**

**GEORGE L. OWEN—AUCTIONEER**

**CITY OF WETASKIWIN**

**NOTICE**

Dog Licenses for 1927 must be taken out at once. All owners of Dogs who have not paid License by the 15th of March will be prosecuted. By order of the City Council.

J. E. FRASER, City Clerk

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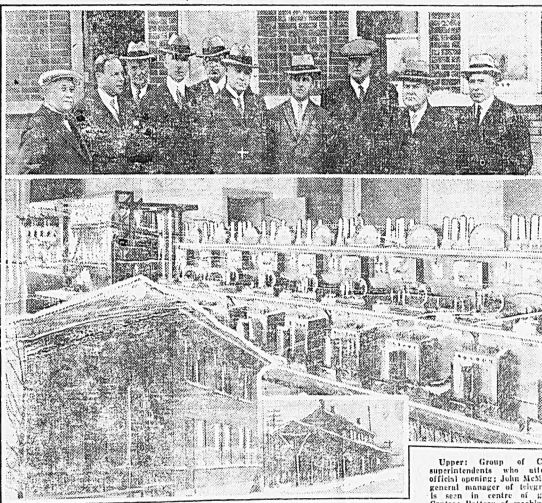
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## Important Link of Telegraph Service



The last link in the Canadian Pacific Telegraph system across the continent, to conform with the most advanced developments of telegraphic science, was completed recently, when a new telegraph repeater station was formally opened at White River, Ontario. The main switch, cutting the new telegraph station into the circuit, was closed by Mrs. J. E. Dewey, who was closely connected with Canadian Pacific developments at White River since construction days. Many prominent officials of the Company were present at the official opening January 29, including: J. McMillan, general manager of the Company; Montreal; H. J. Humphrey, general superintendent, North Bay, and D. H. Bowen, superintendent of Telegraphs, Sudbury.

Through the installation of the new plant the efficiency of overland facilities will be greatly increased owing to the fact that signals formerly carried direct from Sudbury to Fort William, will now be sent by the half-way point. It was pointed out to the press by Mr. McMillan that the overland service will be increased in speed and flexibility, thus affording additional service. The present proposition was made by Young with the first repeater station between stations of this nature operated by the Canadian Pacific is 300 miles. A further distance between repeater stations were fully double the distance now accepted as the least practice. For example, Mr. McMillan pointed out, the Canadian Pacific overland wires were stretched from Montreal to Vancouver with the first repeater station at Fort William, a distance from Montreal of about 1,000 miles. Since the opening of the service the first station of this nature was built at Sudbury. The decision to further cut down the distance to Fort William resulted in the construction of

the new station here.

Through the introduction of automatic printers and the possibilities of still greater advances in the science of telegraphy, it was found necessary to establish the new station at Sudbury. In fact, the Canadian Pacific now have repeater stations at White River, Fort William, Vancouver, and Vancouver, on the overland trunk lines. In telegraph service across the continent, the Canadian Pacific have installed all-copper wires, and the best equipment obtainable is provided in all their repeater stations from East to West, making the service fast and reliable.

The station here comes under the superintendency of D. E. Bowen, the chief in charge of the station will be C. W. McMillan, with repeater chiefs G. B. Bowen, and S. Pacey.

Upper: Group of C.P.R. telegraphers who attended official opening; John McMillan, general manager of the Company; Montreal; H. J. Humphrey, general superintendent, North Bay, and D. H. Bowen, superintendent of Telegraphs, Sudbury.

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Sunday visitors at the Garfield Hotel home were Wm. Meyer, John Meyer and Mrs. Oliver Heller.

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Arlean Heller was a Sunday visitor at the Persson home.

A basket social and lantern slide was held in the Poplar Bluff school last Friday evening. There was a good attendance and the good game brought a very good price. The proceeds from the sale, which amounted

to \$25.00, will be divided between the Red Cross fund and the buying of library books for the school.

Mrs. M. McIntyre was a business visitor to Perintosh last week.

Emil Persson has been ill at his home for the past few days with a severe attack of flu.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Walker spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Hope Orr. Miss Lilly Swanson returned to her position in Camrose after spending the week-end with her relatives in the Hoover district. Mr. and Mrs. Emil Hagstrom.

Edgar Smith of Perintosh, was a dinner guest of Mr. and Mrs. Homer Hovey on Monday.

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(Continued from last week)

"Now listen to me, again," said Michael. "As I told you, Lejaune knows all about your plot to murder him and desert at full moon. I did not tell him. But I was going to tell him, after I had warned you, if you refused to abandon the scheme."

"You cursed spy! You filthy, treacherous hound! You!" roared Schwartz. "Why should you—"

"Oh, don't be such a noisy nuisance, Schwartz," interrupted Michael. "I and a party of my friends don't choose to give Lejaune the chance he wants, and we don't really like to murder him. We have as much right to live as you, haven't we?"

"Live!" snarled Brandt. You don't call this living, do you?"

"We aren't dying of thirst, anyhow," replied Michael. "And if we are privileged and hunted by Lejaune, it's better than being hunted to our deaths by a canteen company of gnomes or by the Tougars, isn't it?"

"After completing our antique and other preparations for the morrow, Michael and I strolled in the courtyard."

"Someone passed and repressed us in the dark, and then walked near the lantern by the quarter guard, to identify us by its light."

"It was Schwartz."

"See here, you," he said, as he recognized us. "Come with me. Now. What are you going to do if someone kills Lejaune without doing himself the honor of consulting your lordships?"

"Nothing," replied Michael, as we walked away from the light. "We shall continue to do our duty as soldiers. We shall obey the orders of the senior person remaining true to his salt and the flag."

"The devil burn their filthy flag," snarled Schwartz. "I spit on it."

"Then you and your gang of cowards and blacklegs will not interfere?" asked Schwartz.

"If you will desert, you will desert," replied my brother. "That is not our affair. If we know what you are doing, we shall report it, if we can't stop it. If we can prevent mutiny and murder we shall. As for deserting—I should say the Legion would be well rid of you."

"What I want to know is whether you are going to fight us or not?" said Schwartz.

"Certainly, if ordered to," replied Michael.

"And if there is no one to order you?" sneered Schwartz.

"Then obviously we shall not be ordered to," was the unhesitating reply. Schwartz turned to go.

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"Look to yourselves! Look to your selves," he growled.

"Oh, we shall. Don't you worry," replied Michael.

I wondered how much longer we should be able to stand this intolerable strain, in addition to the hardship of the terrific heat.

Half an hour later, we returned to the reeking, stifling barnyard room. Most of the men were lying on their backs. Bolder was sitting on a bench polishing his bayonet. I went over to him. "Will you polish mine too?" I said. "Follow me out," I whispered as I gave him my bayonet.

I strolled over to my cot, began to undress, and then, taking my mug, went out of the room as though for water. Watching the lighted door, I waited in the darkness. Ten minutes or so later, Bolder came out. "Well," said I.

"Lejaune does not believe a word about the diamond being here," he said. "And the multitudes are going to shoot him and all the non-coms, on morning parade tomorrow instead of tonight. They think he will be expecting it tonight as some informer must have told him of the plan."

"And you," I asked.

"I am to shoot Lejaune," he replied, "to prove my sincerity and good faith. If I don't, I am to be shot myself. Guano is being maligned me to Schwartz."

"Have you told Lejaune this?" I asked this astonishing creature.

"I am just going to do so now," he replied, and I gasped.

Bolder shook off, and I returned to the barnyard room.

"Taking my Arabic copy of the Quran from the shelf above my bed, I winked at Michael, and opening the book, sent myself beside him, and began to read in Arabic, as we often did."

After reading a verse, I went on to the same monotone, as though still reading, and said in Arabic:

"Tomorrow, Morning. They will kill. One now goes to give information," and then went on with the next verse. I then gave the book to Michael, who followed the same plan. I heard between actual verses:

"We have warned them. Say nothing. He will strike tonight. Do not sleep. I will tell our friends," and then another verse of the wisdom of the Prophet, before closing the book.

Soon after this, Bolder entered the room and began to undress.

"What about my bayonet, you Bolder?" I called across to him.

"Oh—half a minute, Smith," he replied, and began polishing it.

A little later he brought it over and as he bent over my bed to hang the weapon on its hook, he whispered:

"I have not told him. Tomorrow, and went back to his place."

Under cover of the "Lights Out" bugle, I repeated this to Michael.

"That's all right, then. We shall have a quiet night."

And then perfect silence descended on the room as usual.

It was an unpleasant night for me, nevertheless, for I by no means shared Michael's faith in his quiet.

I tossed and turned in my hot and uncomfortable bed as I turned the bewildering problem over in my brain, and my attempt to decide the best course to follow ended in my deciding that I did not know what I would do.

It was an hopeless impasse. I gave it up and turned once more to my other side. This brought my face to ward the door, and there, in the doorway, stood Lejaune.

There stood Lejaune—looking from head to foot. He was quite alone and he held a revolver in his hand. "Whom was he going to shoot?"

Was this the beginning of the end? Without thinking, I raised myself on my elbows.

He was not at once, and first placing a finger to his lips, beckoned to me.

I started in amazement. Prowling savagely, he beckoned again, with a swift and imperious movement of his arm.

What was the idea? Was he going to murder me outside? Or was he going to tell me to fetch Michael out? In that case, had I better refuse, or just spring on him, get the revolver, and... and what? Neither murder nor mutiny was going to improve our precarious position.

As these thoughts flashed through my mind, I seized my trousers and tunic, struggled into them, and tipped to the door.

"Follow me," said Lejaune, and led the way to his quarters.

Closing the door of his bare, comfortable little room, and seating himself at the table, Lejaune stared at me in silence, his hot arrogant eyes gleaming beneath heavy eyebrows contracting in a fierce evil-tempered frown.

"The you and your miserable brother want to live," he suddenly growled. "Answer me, you dog."

"On the whole, I think so, mon adjutant," I replied, trying to strike a note between defiant impudence and cringing servility.

"Oh, the whole, you do, you do," sneered Lejaune, and again stared in silence. "Well, if you do, you'd better listen carefully to what I say, for only I can save you. Do you understand? Answer me, you swine."

"Yes, mon adjutant," I replied. "See here then, you infection, he

went on, "there's some talk among those dogs, of a jewel. A diamond those gang of jewel-thieves got away with, in London. Also there is a plot among them to murder you both and steal it, and desert with it."

"Is that so, mon adjutant?" said I as he stopped.

"Don't you answer me! God smite you, you unspeakable corruption!" he roared. "Yes, it is so," he went on, mimicking me savagely, "and I know all about it, as I know everything else that is done, and said, and thought too—though I say—in this place."

Now, I don't care a curse what you stole, and I don't care a curse what becomes of you and that anointed thief, your brother; but I won't have plots and plans and murders in any force under my command. Understand that! D'you hear me, sacred animal? Answer me!"

"I hear you, mon adjutant," I admitted.

"Very well, then," he growled. "I am going to teach these sacred curs to attend to their duty and leave diamonds and plots alone. By God, I am going to do it. I am going to do it, and your brother and a few more—say, Legionnaires St. Andre, Cordier, and Mais, as a Corporal's guard to arrest the ringleaders among those impudent swine. And I myself am going to attend to the business. You'll act as my personal order, under my personal command, and you'll shoot down any man whom I tell you to shoot—as mutineering mad dogs should be shot. D'you hear me, you fish-faced, cod-eyed, bug-eating dumb cretin! Answer me!"

"I hear you, mon adjutant," I replied.

"Well, say so then, grinning imbecile. And to put an end to this thrice-cursed nonsense, and prevent any more disturbances of this source, your brother will hand over this diamond to me. I'll put it where no plots and plans will trouble it. . . . You and your cursed Jew! Wrecking discipline and causing trouble! You ought to be doing twenty years in gaol, the pair of you. . . . D'you hear me, blast your soul? Answer me, damn you!"

"I hear you, mon adjutant," I replied.

"Very well, tomorrow morning you and your brother and the others will have duties assigned you. You'll be given ammunition. You and your brother, or both, will be put over the magazine, and will shoot anyone, except myself, who approaches it. Anyone, you understand, whether non-commissioned officer or legionnaire. . . . I'll teach the swine—by God, I'll teach them! . . . Now then. . . . It was your brother I wanted, but you happened to be awake and I saw no point in entering that cage of treacherous hyenas—go and tell your brother what I have said, and as soon as I have that diamond locked for safety in the Company treasure chest, I'll give you a chance to save your worthless lives."

"Listen carefully, now. Creep back and wake your brother St. Andre, Marks and Cordier, and tell them to get up and steal silently from the room with their rifles. . . . I shall be at the door with that revolver, and I'll shoot anybody—the first movement that I don't like. . . . Got."

I saluted and turned about.

So the hour had come! And Lejaune was about to act. Moreover, he was going to act on Bolder's information that St. Andre, Marks, St. Andre, and I had refused to join the legionnaires, and so belonged to neither party. He was going to make us five loyal soldiers the executioners of his rebels.

He had a perfect right to order us to seize any rebels and to shoot the dead if he resisted arrest. Also it was our plain duty to obey him.

But Michael! What would happen when Michael, armed with knowledge of a diamond? If a would he fare at Lejaune's hands, then on the mutiny had been suppressed. . . . Lejaune: have and was sufficient to send him to the dark, deserted wilderness—whether they were in the next world or in the Penal battalia. . . .

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Colonization Board Is  
Aiming To Fill Up This  
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President—John W. West.  
Vice President—B. Oleson.  
Secretary—A. P. Mitchell.  
Executive Committee—J. O. Anderson, H. Stuart, P. Pionon.

The board is vitally interested in the filling up of this district with suitable settlers; but without the cooperation of the farmers in the district, the efforts of the board will be futile. It is to the advantage of each and every one in the district to endorse the move and assist in every way possible to make it a success.

How is this to be done?  
There is hardly anyone in the district that has no friends or relatives in other countries that would only be too glad to come to Canada and create permanent homes. Give their names to the Board; or better still, in case you can employ them yourself, complete nomination papers for their entry into Canada, but in any event get in touch with the board and obtain particulars of how to bring them out.

The greatest way in which to assist in this work is through the farm help service rendered by the board. Through this service a farmer may secure an experienced farm or domestic or her native land, and who, in the course of one to four years, will establish homes of their own and become permanent settlers—true, they may not settle in your district; but then again it is only natural that they should settle in a district where they have found new friends and acquaintances and have become, to a certain extent, familiar with the district in which they have been working.

It is up to you, therefore, to decide whether or not this board will continue to function. If you have friends in other countries desiring to come to Canada or are in need of farm help, get in touch with the secretary and see what they can do for you.

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Mrs. Hodge spent a few hours in Millet on Monday last.

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Rev. A. B. Lane of Leduc, spent a day or two in Millet last week.

Mr. S. McGibbon is around again following an attack of influenza.

A carload of hogs were shipped from the Millet Hog Ranch on Friday.

Miss McDermid of Ponoka, was the guest of Mrs. John Dinney over Sunday.

Miss Robbes is at her home again after spending some weeks in Wetaskiwin.

The boys' hockey game to be played with the Wetaskiwin Juniors will be played later.

We are glad to see Mr. A. P. Mitchell in his office again after his recent illness.

Mr. E. E. Wright of Minburn, has purchased the Arlington hotel and is in charge.

Mrs. Remby and Master Stanley are visiting Mrs. Remby's mother, Mrs. J. Dinney.

Miss M. Harrison arrived from Calgary on Thursday and is staying with Mrs. W. Dinney.

Attractive prizes are ahead for winners in the Bouspiel. See account in next week's paper.

Mr. W. Dinney's horses became frightened at a motorcycle on Saturday and ran away causing considerable damage.

Rev. A. B. Argue and Mr. J. B. Christie attended the meeting of the Presbytery in Lacombe during the past week.

The local bouspiel is in full swing—joys and sorrows being fairly divided—sighs heard as some descend to the hard luck class.

Mr. Matheson of Winnipeg is receiving teller in the local branch of the Imperial Bank, following Mr. Course, who left for Saskatoon during the past week.

The Women's Institute held a Valentine card party on Monday evening in the Community hall. It was well attended and a very pleasant evening was spent.

Mrs. Gosselin, who is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. J. West, left on Monday to attend the Provincial Red Cross convention in Edmonton, and will return to Millet at the close of the session.

Mr. J. W. McDermid arrived from Wetaskiwin last week and has taken over the management of the Millet branch of the Imperial Bank during the absence of Mr. J. E. English, who has been ill for some time.

## HILLSIDE

The February meeting of the Hillside U.F.W.A. was held at the home of Mrs. L. Schwartz on Thursday afternoon. Eight members were present and answered the roll call with a Valentine verse. A new member was added to the roll.

The usual business was transacted and the joint concert on March 25th was discussed. It was decided to acquire a travelling library. Mrs. Howard Marr to have charge of same.

Mr. Leader read an interesting paper on "Equal Rights between Man and Wife," which was followed by community singing. Mrs. Howes, who was the visitor from the Millet local to the convention, then gave her report which was very much enjoyed.

The next meeting will be held at the home of Mrs. E. R. Hoskins on March 3rd. Hints on House cleaning will be the answer to roll call.

Mr. G. H. Howes was the Millet delegate to the recent dairyman's convention in Edmonton.

Those in this district who belong to the cow testing association will please note that the annual meeting will be held in the community hall, Millet, on Wednesday, February 23rd.

There was a very small attendance at the meeting to discuss the feeding of dairy cattle, held in the school on Friday evening. This is very regrettable as one can learn several different methods which have brought some of the dairy herds in this district up to a high standard.

Rev. Lane, of Leduc, accompanied by Mr. Parlee, of Millet, were callers in this district last week.

Mr. L. W. Marr is hauling lumber from west of Pigeon Lake.

Mrs. T. W. Warr, formerly of this district, but now of Larch Tree, is home from the hospital, where she underwent an operation. We regret to say that she is not progressing as well as hoped for.

## ROGER HOWES NOW

## ON WAY TO COAST

Toronto, Feb. 16.—Word of the evacuation of western Szechwan by missionaries of the China Inland Mission was received here today in a telegram from headquarters at Shanghai. All of the 38 missionaries stationed in the 13 missions in the district have left for the coast, the message stated. Besides several Torontonians, the party includes Mrs. G. Yinden of Edmonton, Mrs. Man, and Roger W. Howes of Millet, Alberta.

## C.G.I.T. REGULAR MEETING

The C.G.I.T. Group "Happy Lot", held their regular meeting in the community hall on Wednesday following school. Plans to have a speaker from Edmonton have been under discussion for some time and it is hoped to see this carried out during the coming week.

In the list of C.G.I.T. officers in the last issue the name of the recording secretary, Miss Jean Ross, was omitted.

## OLD TIME SOCIAL

There will be an old-time Social at the home of Mr. and Mrs. R. Inglis on Friday evening, February 18th. Everybody welcome.

Come to the C.P.R. waiting room at 7:30. Sleighs will convey the company to this lovely country home, where the good time awaits. Bring your basket and be ready for the surprises.

## ENTERTAIN LADIES' AID

A pleasant evening was spent in the Parsonage on Tuesday evening when Mrs. Argue and Mrs. Graham entertained the members of the Ladies' Aid. After a few games the little boxes which were brought in, were opened, the proceeds amounting to \$11.25. Refreshments were served by the hostesses, Mrs. Pacey pouring tea.

## IS THIS RIGHT?

Eagon sighted the bear in a clump of brush when the animal was rooting for food, and was able to get in three shots before the bear sighted him and charged. It took three more shots to stop the animal, which when measured was found to be eight feet, eight inches from snout to tail, and to weigh 850 pounds. When it stood upright the bear was as large as the average man, and its tusks were ten inches long.

Query—Is this the average size of a man?

## Train Schedule

Times for trains at Wetaskiwin will be:

Northbound	Southbound
51 Lv 5:28am Daily	53 ar 12:30am
521 Lv 6:44am Daily	526 ar 1:22am
525 Lv 9:40pm Daily	522 ar 8:28am
529 Lv 1:50pm Dly ex Sun	524 ar 1:28pm
527 Lv 11:30am Dly ex Sun	528 ar 7:45pm
Westbound	Eastbound
51 ar 5:28 am Daily	53 Lv 12:30am
527 ar 11:15am Daily	528 Lv 7:50pm ex Sun.

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form by minors could be averted. I believe that all educators, and especially school teachers and parents, should use every means in their power to prevent pupils in the public schools, and in the home, from acquiring the habit—Dr. Wiley, in Good Housekeeping.

## WEISENFORD W.I.

The Weisenford Women's Institute held their monthly meeting on Thursday, February 3rd, at the home of Mrs. Haemson. Hostess sympathy was tendered to the sisters for the recent loss of her husband.

Plans were made for the what drive to be held in the Telford school on the evening of February 14th. The members decided to apply for the University of Alberta's travelling library, books to be loaned to anyone in the district who cared to read. It was also decided to apply for a baby clinic, all members to try and make it as far reaching as possible.

Mrs. Kirk read a paper on milk and its many uses, which was very instructive.

The March meeting is to be held at the home of Mrs. Burdon, assisted by Mrs. F. King, the roll call to be

answered by "Housecleaning Hints." After the meeting had adjourned, a very hearty tea was served by the hostess, assisted by Mrs. Kirk and Mrs. Scott.

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